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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Christoph Dorr  
Serial No. : 09/554,025  
Filing Date : May 8, 2000  
For : BALL-AND-SOCKET JOINT  
Group Art Unit : 3679  
Examiner : Ernesto Garcia  
Attorney Docket No. : TRW(EHR) 4846

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PETITION TO EXTEND PERIOD FOR RESPONSE

Sir:

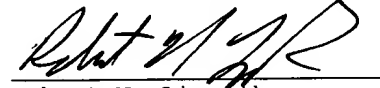
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), applicant hereby requests  
a two (2) month extension of the period for response to the  
Office Action mailed April 5, 2005. The response date set in  
the Office Action was July 5, 2005. A response is being filed  
herewith today, September 5, 2005, which is within the second  
month after the response date. Enclosed is a check in the  
amount of \$450.00, which is the fee for a two month extension.

Accordingly, Applicants hereby requests that the period for  
response be extended by two (2) months so that the response  
filed herewith will be considered timely filed.

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